

Trauma Advisory Committee Ad Hoc Group Minutes

July 24, 2001
10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.
EMS Authority
1930 9th Street
Sacramento, CA

Attendees: Pat Bennett, Barbara Center, Christy Preston, Janet Hasty, Suzy Baulch, Carol Shagoury-Harper, David Johnson, Pam Steen, Bonnie Sinz

Approval of Minutes

Action taken: Minutes were approved as written.

Approval of Agenda

Action taken: Agenda was approved with no additions.

Final Review of ACS Consultation for Trauma Systems Document

Discussion: No new information provided.

Action taken: Document final.

Final Review of Members Trauma Registry Inclusion Criteria

Discussion: No revisions made.

Action taken: Document final.

Report on Trauma Advisory Committee Meeting

Discussion: The committee is developing an action plan for the development of a statewide trauma system. (Minutes attached) The committee approved the inclusion criteria developed by the Ad Hoc Group for the collection of existing trauma registry data into statewide reports. Dr. Hoyt expressed concern over the inclusion of all admissions as UCSD collects data on admission after 24 hours. Bonnie will discuss with San Diego EMS.

Action taken: Approval of current trauma registry inclusion criteria.

Update on AB 686/687

Discussion: Bonnie gave a report on the latest information on the bills. Current language gives deadlines for the creation of standardized trauma registry inclusion criteria that would provide standardized statewide date in four (4) years. Bonnie proposed that the Ad Hoc Group work quickly on this project to speed up the deadline by one (1) year.

Action taken: Group agreed to work on the standardized trauma registry inclusion criteria (upon approval by the Advisory Committee) with the following calendar:

July 2001 – April 2002	Develop criteria
April 1, 2002 – March 31, 2002	Regulation period
July 1, 2002	Implement

Trauma Triage Criteria Comparison (provided by LA EMS)

Discussion: Christy presented a comparison chart of triage criteria utilized throughout the State. As many of the trauma registry inclusion criteria relate back to the area's triage criteria, this information will be very useful as we develop the statewide registry. Members gave additions/corrections to Christy.

Action taken: Christy will update the chart and bring it back to the next meeting.

Data Element Comparison Chart

Discussion: Bonnie presented the first draft showing data element comparisons. Members gave additions/corrections to Bonnie

Action taken: Bonnie will continue working on the chart. This may go on hold if the Trauma Care Fund legislation passes.

Standardized Trauma Registry Inclusion Criteria

Discussion: The definition used for the Trauma Care Fund was reviewed. There was much discussion regarding the collection of "treat and release" patient data and whether we should include these patients. They generate a cost to the trauma center with trauma services provided. However, if they were included in the trauma registry they will generate a data collection/entry cost. Members decided we needed to know what data (if any) trauma centers and LEMSAs are collecting on these patients.

Action taken: A survey tool was drafted. Bonnie will finalize it and mail it out to all designated trauma centers in the State.

Next Meeting Date/Location

Action items: The next meetings planned are:

September 11th in San Diego (location to be determined) **Note: Addendum to minutes: Meeting rescheduled for October 10, 2001**

November 8th in Sacramento

All meetings are 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.